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## CHICAGO BROILER/FRYER

PRELIMINARY FOR DELIVERY THE WEEK OF 15-MAR-2004

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD. AVG.	LOADS
US GRADE A	68.25-81	69-72	71.71	27

## ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 13-Mar-04

	Current Week	Previous Week
BRO-FRY	157,083	154,615

## GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES

WEDNESDAY

72.75

## FRIDAY PRELIM. WTD. AVG.:

72.57

Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed preliminary weighted average price on ice packed parts:

ITEM	WTD. AVG. (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	231.00	1,194
BREASTS - B/S	201.50	5,279
BREASTS - WHOLE	104.50	1,744
THIGH MEAT - B/S	122.50	982
LEG QUARTERS	35.50	7,414
WINGS	125.00	2,872

**MIDWEST** Preliminary majority prices for next week's deliveries into the Chicago area were unchanged from Monday's majority. The market tone on whole broiler/fryers was generally steady. Offerings continued light for the like trade interest. Movement into all channels was disappointing; demand into retail was slow to light while food service interest was mostly light to moderate. Floor stocks were adequate to long. Weights mostly desirable to occasionally heavy. Demand on parts limited to current needs with wings and tenders drawing best interest. Offerings were moderate to heavy on dark cuts and light on remaining parts. The market tone was fully steady to firm on breast items, steady on wings and about steady to weak on dark meat items.

**WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **WEEK OF MARCH 12, 2004**

	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO		CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO
<b>8-16 LB HENS</b>				<b>16-24 LB TOMS</b>			
EASTERN REGION	61.43	62.70 **	61.20 **	EASTERN REGION	59.00	61.40 **	58.35 **
CENTRAL REGION	62.80 **	61.50	61.00 **	CENTRAL REGION	60.90 **	59.00	58.50 **
WESTERN REGION	63.00 **	63.00 **	61.00	WESTERN REGION	60.80 **	58.00	57.50

\*\*BASED ON OFFERS

## LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 06-Mar-2004 (PRELIMINARY)

### YOUNG CHICKENS

#### THOUSANDS

HEAD	153,459
AVG WT	5.41
LAST WEEK	152,700
SAME WK YR AGO	151,538
AVG WT	4.94
TO-DATE/2004	1,379,453
TO-DATE/2003	1,350,673

## LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED

	YOUNG HENS	YOUNG TOMS
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#### THOUSANDS

HEAD	1,729	2,515
AVG WT	15.38	35.86
LAST WEEK	1,744	2,466
SAME WK YR AGO	1,858	2,732
AVG WT	15.87	36.33
TO-DATE/2004	15,197	21,991
TO-DATE/2003	15,453	23,525

## FRESH PORK CUTS

FOB Negotiated	PRICE RANGE	WTD AVG
Loin		
1/8" Trm/less 21#DN-LGT	106.00-112.00	109.00
BNLS Strap-on 5-11#	155.00-165.00	158.33
Trimmed Butt		
1/4" Trim Stk Rdy	80.00	80.00
SPARERIB		
3BAG/3 PCVAC4.25#/DN-LGT	144.00	144.00

## FRESH BEEF CUTS

FOB Negotiated	PRICE RANGE	WTD AVG
112A 3 Rib, ribeye, bnls, heavy	609.00 625.50	610.72
Round		
168 3 Round, top inside round	173.00 179.01	174.75
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	604.00 621.50	613.02
Ground Beef 81%	108.00 124.10	112.25

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